

Monday 25th April 2022

Dear Year 6 parents/carers,

Year 6 Curriculum Letter – Summer (1st half)

Message from the teachers

We hope you had a chocolate-filled Easter break and are looking forward to the summer term. This term the children will be sitting the Year 6 SATs during the week beginning the 9th of May, followed by the start of rehearsals for the end of year production (details to follow) and ending with our school journey to PGL. It's sure to be a busy, but fantastic half term!

Our Core Values

Happiness: we spread joy to those around us.

Compassion: we care and are kind to all.

Respect: we treat others as we like to be treated.

Teamwork: we work well with everyone.

Year 6 Staffing

Aspen class teacher: Mr Hackman

Elm class teacher: Mrs Pankhania

Meranti class teacher: Mr Coren

Year 6 learning support assistants: Mrs Clarke, Mrs Gaffney, Miss Merrick, Mrs Sehmi, Mrs Skull and Mrs Thomas

Communication

You can email class teachers directly on the class email accounts and we will do our best to get back to you within two working days.

aspenclass@harefieldjunior.com

elmclass@harefieldjunior.com

meranticlass@harefieldjunior.com

Homework

Homework, along with answers, will be emailed to parents every Monday and should be handed in to teachers on Friday. Please email your child's class teacher if you would like paper copies of homework instead.

A HJS banded reading book will sent home every Monday and should be returned by the Friday.

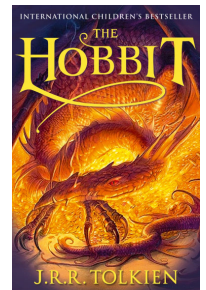
Spellings, maths passport and arithmetic tests will take place every Friday.

Summer Term Learning

This half term we will be learning the following in each subject area:

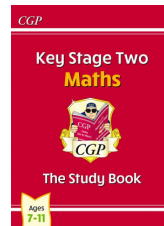
English

Year 6 will be using the fantasy story 'The Hobbit' by J.R.R. Tolkien to write stories that develop character through dialogue by using changing levels of formality. We will then be using events from the story to create our own newspaper articles.



Mathematics

In maths this half term, Year 6 will be revising many of the topics we have covered earlier this year in preparation for the SATs tests. We strongly recommend that you encourage your child to practise areas of maths that they are currently less confident with, using the CGP test packs and homework shared by the school.



Science

The Year 6 Science unit this term is titled 'Body Pump'. The focus of this unit is exploring the circulatory system: what blood is made up of, how blood transports oxygen and nutrients around the human body and how to ensure we keep our hearts healthy.

History

The Mayan civilisation is the history topic for Year 6 this term. In this unit, the children will explore the world of the Mayans, and debate whether they should continue to be remembered today as a significant culture through comparing the modern and ancient people and understanding why the civilisation began to decline in the 10th Century.



Art and Design

In Art and Design this half term, Year 6 will be exploring still life. The children will be drawing compositions of still images using different mediums such as charcoal, crayon and watercolour.

Physical Education

The two P.E. units in Year 6 this half term are 'Gym Fit Circuits' indoors and 'Striking and Fielding' outdoors. The indoor unit will encourage children to design and teach their own fitness routines, while the outdoor games will teach children different batting and catching skills, leading to class games of rounders.

French

The French unit this half term is 'Miam, Miam!' where children will learn new vocabulary linked to the topic of food and eating – yum!

Religious Education

Year 6 will be focusing on Islam for the summer term, exploring the Islamic beliefs of the afterlife and what Muslims consider important aspects of a 'good' life.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

The PSHE unit for Year 6 this half term is 'Relationships'. The children will be discussing the topics of mental health and thinking of ways to care for their own mental wellbeing. They will also consider ways to cope when faced with challenges that could affect their mental health, such as the topics of love and loss, the power and control dynamics of relationships and whether online information is real or fake.

Please feel free to contact us via the class email accounts should you have any questions over the half term ahead.

Yours faithfully

Mr Coren, Mr Hackman and Mrs Pankhania